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**Response**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Sir:

In Response to the Final Office Action in the above case dated 01/11/2005 in the above matter, please consider the election below.

Please note that a Request for Continued Examination has been filed concurrently with this paper with the required fee, and that the present paper includes a certificate of mailing or transmission indicating a filing date before the expiration of the deadline.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.